

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS (Marked Up Version)

Please amend the claims as follows:

49. (Canceled) An AC electrical power distribution system comprising:
a housing having a plurality of substantially identical AC power distribution outlets for
connecting AC electrical power to a plurality of devices,
said housing having a plurality of colored areas for selectively identifying each outlet of
said power distribution outlets,
each colored area of said colored areas on said housing being different in color from any
other such colored area, and
each of said colored areas assigned to a different device.
50. (Canceled) An AC electrical power distribution system, as recited in claim 49, further
comprising at least one other AC distribution outlet of greater size than each of said
substantially identical AC power distribution outlets for connection to a bulky power
adapter.
51. (Canceled) An AC electrical power distribution system, as recited in claim 50, further
comprising a plurality of other AC distribution outlets of greater size than each of said
substantially identical AC power distribution outlets for connection to bulky power
adapters.
52. (Cancelled) An AC electrical power distribution system, as recited in claim 49, further
comprising at least one telephone jack.
53. (Cancelled) An AC electrical power distribution system, as recited in claim 49, further
comprising at least one coaxial cable jack.
54. (Cancelled) An AC electrical power distribution system, as recited in claim 49, further
comprising a switch for powering on and off each and every one of said outlets.

55. (Cancelled) An AC electrical power distribution system, as recited in claim 49, further comprising at least one indicator light.

56. (Cancelled) An AC electrical power distribution system, as recited in claim 49, further comprising labels having colors corresponding to the colors of said colored areas, said labels for identifying different devices.

57. (Cancelled) An AC electrical power distribution system as recited in claim 49, further comprising a set of colored cords having colors corresponding to the colors of said colored areas.

58. (Currently Amended) A method ~~for~~ of preventing confusion in users of a multiple outlet power strip having several identical outlets for providing power to a plurality of devices, comprising the steps of:

- a. ~~assigning~~ providing a separate and distinct colored color-code area proximate to each outlet for selectively identifying each outlet of said power strip;[,] and
- b. ~~assigning to each colored area different color from any other such colored area; and~~
- e. b. providing colored indicia adjacent to each color-coded outlet, the indicia having a background color identical to its adjacent color-coded outlet corresponding to the colors of said colored areas for identifying devices assigned to each colored area.

59. (Currently Amended) A The method, as recited in claim 58, wherein ~~said each indicia identifies a device connected to the adjacent color-coded outlet are colored labels having the same colors as the colored area proximate to each outlet.~~

60. (Currently Amended)) A The method, as recited in claim 58, wherein each the indicia are colored cords having the same colors as the colored area proximate to each outlet comprises a color-coded labels identifying the device connected to the adjacent color-coded outlet.

61. (Currently Amended) A ~~The~~ method, as recited in claim ~~60~~ 58, wherein each color-coded label comprises a unique identifier to identify a device ~~said indicia are colored plugs having the same colors as the colored area proximate to each outlet.~~
62. (Cancelled) A method as recited in claim 58, wherein said indicia are colored stickers having the same colors as the colored area proximate to each outlet wrapped around the cord.
63. (New) A method as recited in claim 61, wherein the unique identifier comprises one or more printed words and abbreviations thereof.
64. (New) An apparatus for distributing electrical power, comprising:
- a housing having a plurality of substantially identical AC power distribution outlets for providing AC electrical power to a plurality of devices connected thereto; and
 - a plurality of unique colored areas disposed on or proximate to each outlet, for identifying each outlet and the device connected to each outlet.
65. (New) The apparatus of claim 64, further comprising:
- a plurality of color-coded labels located proximate to the outlets, wherein each color-coded label includes the same color as the proximately colored area; and
- identifies a device connected to the outlet.
66. (New) The apparatus of claim 64 wherein each color-coded label includes a unique identifier to identify the device connected to the outlet.
67. (New) The apparatus of claim 66 wherein the unique identifier comprises one or more printed words and abbreviations thereof.
68. (New) The apparatus of claim 67 further comprising overcurrent and noise protection elements.